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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/829,440	Applicant(s) HERVE, RICHARD	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 October 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 5-22 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 and 23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

Applicant's election with traverse of Group I, claims 1-4, in the reply filed on 10/28/2005, is acknowledged. Claims 5-22 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a nonelected subject matter.

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(l).

Since there was an error in the grouping of claims of group II and III, the restriction requirement is revised to indicate proper claims in these groups for record.

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-4 and 23 drawn to a triazine of formula 1 classified in class 544, subclass 197.
- II. Claims 5-21 drawn to various cosmetic/dermatological composition of compound of formula I, classified in classes 514, 252, 524 etc, subclasses 241, 300, 100 etc. depending upon choice of other ingredients.
- III. Claim 22, drawn to synthetic polymer of glass containing compound of formula I, classified in class 424, subclasses various depending upon the choice of the structural make-up of the polymer or glass.

Applicants' traversal of restriction requirement is noted but it is not found persuasive.

First of all there is no required combination of Group II with Group I. Any structurally related material can be used for the combination composition of Group II. Secondly, Group III is a product claim. If applicants were rewrite as method of use claim as in Group II, then the rejoinder would be appropriate. Any event, if the compound claim of Group I were found to be allowable, the examiner will consider rejoining Group II with Group I and take an appropriate action as per revised M.P.E.P 8

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claims 4 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

1. Claims 4 and claim 23, which recite several specific species of the compound of formula (I), are missing a period at the end of the claims. An appropriate correction is needed.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

Claims 1-4 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Richard et al., US 5,236,698.

Richard et al., teaches 1,3,5-triazine compounds bearing the benzalmalonate substituents for UV protection, which generically include instant compound, composition and method of use. See column 2, and note the structure of formula I is same as embraced in the instant claims. Especially note R₃ can be a linear or branched alkyl radical of 1 to 20 carbon atoms and with this definition, compounds taught by Richard et al. include instant compounds. See entire document especially examples 2 and 3.

Richard et al., differs from the instant claims in teaching a secondary alkyl chain ester instead of tertiary alkyl chain ester as required by the instant claims.

However, Richard et al. teaches equivalency of those compounds taught in examples 1-9 with those generically recited for compound of Formula I wherein R₃ is a linear or branched alkyl radical of 1 to 20 carbon atoms.

Thus it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to make compounds using the teachings of Richard et al.

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and expect resulting compounds to possess the uses taught by the art in view of the equivalency teaching outline above.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be addressed to Venkataraman Balasubramanian (Bala) whose telephone number is (571) 272-0662. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 8.00 AM to 6.00 PM. The Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) of the art unit 1624 is James O. Wilson whose telephone number is (571) 272-0661. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned (571) 273-8300. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1600.

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